



NOTIFICATION OF INTENT TO OBTAIN CUSTODY

Glasply vessel displaying Washington registration #WN 524 CT

In accordance with Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 79.100, the unnamed 21' Glasply vessel (vessel), with hull ID # GPL21133M75H, and Washington Registration #WN 524 CT, has been declared derelict or abandoned. On or about September 1, 2009, the vessel was found abandoned at a Kopachuck State Park buoy in Pierce County, and sinking. On September 14, 2009, the Washington State Department of Natural Resources (DNR) took temporary possession of the vessel, in order to keep the vessel from breaking up further and to mitigate the threats it posed. It is currently being stored near Point Defiance.

DNR, acting as an authorized public entity with the authority granted in RCW 79.100, intends to take formal and full custody of the above-named vessel on **October 23, 2009**. Once DNR obtains custody of the vessel, it is authorized to use or dispose of it in any appropriate and environmentally sound manner as provided in RCW 79.100, without further notice to the owner. In order for the owner to retain custody of the vessel, before **October 23, 2009**, the owner must pay the costs associated with its removal from the water, any accrued storage fees, provide DNR with proof that they have secured a contractor to move the vessel to a legal boat storage location, and actually remove the vessel. You must also put the WN numbers on the vessel to correspond with the registration on file with the Washington Department of Licensing.

In order to challenge DNR's taking temporary possession, or DNR's decision to take custody on **October 23, 2009**, the owner must file a written request for a hearing with DNR's Aquatic Resources Division at 1111 Washington Street SE, PO Box 47027, Olympia WA 98504-7027. The written request can be submitted immediately after receipt of this notice, but cannot be filed any later than the twentieth day after **October 23, 2009**. The right to a hearing is deemed waived if a request is submitted late, and the owner is liable for any costs owed to DNR.

The costs the owner may be liable for include, but are not limited to, costs incurred by DNR while exercising the authority granted in RCW 79.100.030, all administrative costs incurred by DNR during the procedure set forth in RCW 79.100.040 and RCW 79.100.050, removal and disposal costs, and costs associated with environmental damages directly or indirectly caused by the vessel. In the event of litigation, the prevailing party is entitled to reasonable attorneys' fees and costs. Also, the owner may be guilty of a misdemeanor for allowing a vessel to become abandoned or derelict on aquatic lands per RCW 79.100.110.

DNR reserves the right to pursue any other remedies available under law. For more information regarding this action, contact the Derelict Vessel Removal Program at (360) 902-1574 or DVRP@dnr.wa.gov.